GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public services - Departmental Proceedings against Smt.N.Sailaja, the then AEE, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District under the provisions of Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charge – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 604 **Dated: 01-11-2024**

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, G.A.(V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.20 (783/V&E/Sec.II/D2/2017), dated 15.03.2019.
2. Govt. Memo. No.5739/Vig.VI/2019, dated:19.10.2019, 08.01.2020, 26.11.2021, 13.12.2021, 24.12.2021, 08.07.2022.
3. From the ENC, RWS&S addressed to the CPR&RD Lr.No.Vig(2)/RWS&S/172/2022, dt:28.02.2022.

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ORDER:-

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Smt.N.Sailaja, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS & S.Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Smt.N.Sailaja, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this Memorandum a written statement of her defence.

4. She is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. She should, therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt.N.Sailaja, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rules 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against her exparte, based on the material available on record.

6. Attention of Smt.N.Sailaja, the then AEE, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government Servant shall being or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior

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authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from any person in respect of any matter dealt within these Proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri N.Sailaja, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the proceedings shall be acknowledged along with Annexure- I, II, III & IV.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt.N.Sailaja, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, RWS&S Chandarlapadu, erstwhile Krishna District(w.e) through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the Charged Officer with dated acknowledgement and send the same for record)
Copy to:
The PR&RD(Estt.II) Dept.
The GA(V&E) Dept.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER

A N N E X U R E – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT.N.SAILAJA, THE THEN AEE, RWS&S CHANDARLAPADU, ERSTWHILE KRISHNA DISTRICT

CHARGE:-1

That Smt.N.Sailaja, while working as AEE, RWS&S Chandarlapadu has failed to discharge her legitimate duties and recorded M.Books in the construction of IHHL to Katarapu Mariyamma of Thotaravulapadu(V) without construction under Swachh Bharat/MNREGS in Chadarlpadu of Krishna District., and recommended for payment of Rs.15,000/-, thereby causing loss to the Government exchequer.

Hence the charge.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

SECTION OFFICER

A N N E X U R E – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT.N.SAILAJA, THE THEN AEE, RWS&S CHANDARLAPADU, ERSTWHILE KRISHNA DISTRICT

As per the Vigilance report No 20(783/V&E dated 15.03.2019 of GA(V&E) Dept dated 15.03.2019., the V&E department officials inquired into the allegations on the irregularities committed by MPDO, Junior Assistant, MP and other officers during construction of IHHLs under swachh Bharat Mission (SBM)/MNREGS based on the petition received from Sri Mokkapati Narsimha Rao, Chandarlapadu (V) & (M), Krishna District dated 27.09.2017. The V&E officials have obtained information on IHHLs constructed during the period from April 2015 to October 2017 in the 5 Kadavatikallu, Konayapalem, villages, i.e, Chandarlapadu, Thotaravulapadu, Turlapadu from MPDO of Chandarlapadu.

Out of the 2031 IHHLs onstructed in the above 05 villages, the V&E officials along with concerned Revenue and Mandal Praishad officers have conducted filed verification randomly during November 2017 covering 110 IHHLS (about 5%) who said have received payment through online. The officials have enquired and recorded the statement of the beneficiaries and NGOs/contractors said to have been received payments in the name of beneficiaries and AES/AEES/TAS of MGNREGS, who recorded M.Books & the MPO of chandarlapadu who made payments. During the verification of record and filed inspections of 110 IHHLs, the irregularities are observed in 21 IHHLs.

Out of the 21 IHHLs, it was observed during the enquiry that the then MPDO Sri N Srinivasa Rao has paid Rs 1,41,000/- to the beneficiaries NGOs/ Contractors without constructing the IHHLs., Out of the 21 IHHLs, in respect of the beneficiary Katarapu Mariyamma W/O Ramulu of Thotararavulapadu village, Smt. N. Sailaja, AE, RWS&S has recorded the M.BOOK and recommended for payments for 1st bill on completion of basement level for Rs 6000/- and 2nd bill after completion of IHHLs (Rs 9,000/-) to the contractor Nannapaneni Malleswara Rao contractor. During the enquiry, it was found that Nannapaneni Malleswara Rao contractor has received Rs 6,000/- on 13.11.2016 and Rs 9,000/- on 27.01.2017 in the name of construct of IHHL for Katarapu Mariyamma W/o Ramulu of Thotaravulapadu village. But, the beneficiary stated that Nannapaneni Malleswara Rao @ Srinu came to them and informed about sanction of IHHL to them, started construction of latrines however has not completed till to date. On examination, the contractor has informed that he could not complete the construction but received the payment for the said latrine.

Thus, it can be construed that Smt.N.Sailaja, AEE, RWS&S has colluded with the contractor N. Malleswara rao, thereby misappropriated an amount of Rs 15,000/- by releasing to the contractors account in the name of construction without any construction of IHHL.

From this it is evident that Smt.N.Sailaja, AEE, RWS&S Chandarlapadu has failed to discharge her legitimate duties recorded M.Books and recommended for payment of Rs 15,000/- in the name of construction of IHHL to Katarapu Mariyamma of Thotaravulapadu(V) without actual construction under Swachh Bharat/MGNREGS in Chadarlpadu of Krishna District

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By her above mentioned acts, Smt N Sailaja, AEE, RWS&S Chandarlapadu failed to discharge his duties as per rules, not shown devotion to duty and exhibited conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant & thereby contravened Rules, 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence the charge.

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A N N E X U R E – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES AGAINST SMT.N.SAILAJA, THE THEN AEE, RWS&S CHANDARLAPADU, ERSTWHILE KRISHNA DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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A N N E X U R E – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES AGAINST SMT.N.SAILAJA, THE THEN AEE, RWS&S CHANDARLAPADU, ERSTWHILE KRISHNA DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED -

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-NIL-

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